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College considers privatizing Don bookstore

■ RSC administrators are looking into leasing out the bookstore to raise funds.

By Sarah K. Cron
el Don News Editor

DON BOOKSTORE - The ongoing lack of funds has spurred RSC administrators to consider privatizing the Santa Ana campus bookstore, according to Steve Garcia, vice chancellor of fiscal

services.

"We are taking a look at it (privatizing) to see if there are any advantages," Garcia said.

According to Garcia, if the bookstore were contracted out, the new vendor would have more volume buying power.

"When you provide more in vol-

ume, you provide lower prices," Garcia said.

However, Sharon Wilson, the Don bookstore manager, disagreed.

"When a business is leased out," Wilson said, "historically, prices go up. The RSC mission states (that the staff) will respond to the educational needs and will provide services that reflect academic excellence," Wilson said.

If the bookstore becomes a privately owned business, Wilson said

that the college's mission of personal service would be sacrificed for profitability alone.

"Our main goal is to serve students and faculty on a personalized and flexible level that supports the RSC mission," she continued.

By privatizing the bookstore she said she feared that students and staff members will miss out on the help that the store offers.

"Historically, leasing companies

have a chain store mentality and often ignore quality and scope of service to students and faculty," Wilson said. "What you lose is the personalized service...."

However, Garcia contended that profit is not the only reason that privatization is being considered.

"(We) don't just want to make a lot of money at the expense of students," he said. "(We) just want enough resources to have an at-

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el Don Survey

Poll reveals women leery of night safety

By Gabe Serrato
el Don Staff Writer

SANTA ANA CAMPUS - One out of every two female students at RSC is afraid of attending night classes at the Santa Ana campus, according to a recent el Don survey.

Of the 100 women polled, 54 said that RSC needs tighter security and better lighting conditions in the parking lots.

Student security aide Wendy Morris responded that she too fears the parking lots.

"I work on the security here at school and when I am not on duty I am scared," Morris wrote on her survey form. "Crazy things go

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RSC student
Wendy Morris

last time I will be taking night classes."

Danielle Richardson echoed Jauregui's response.

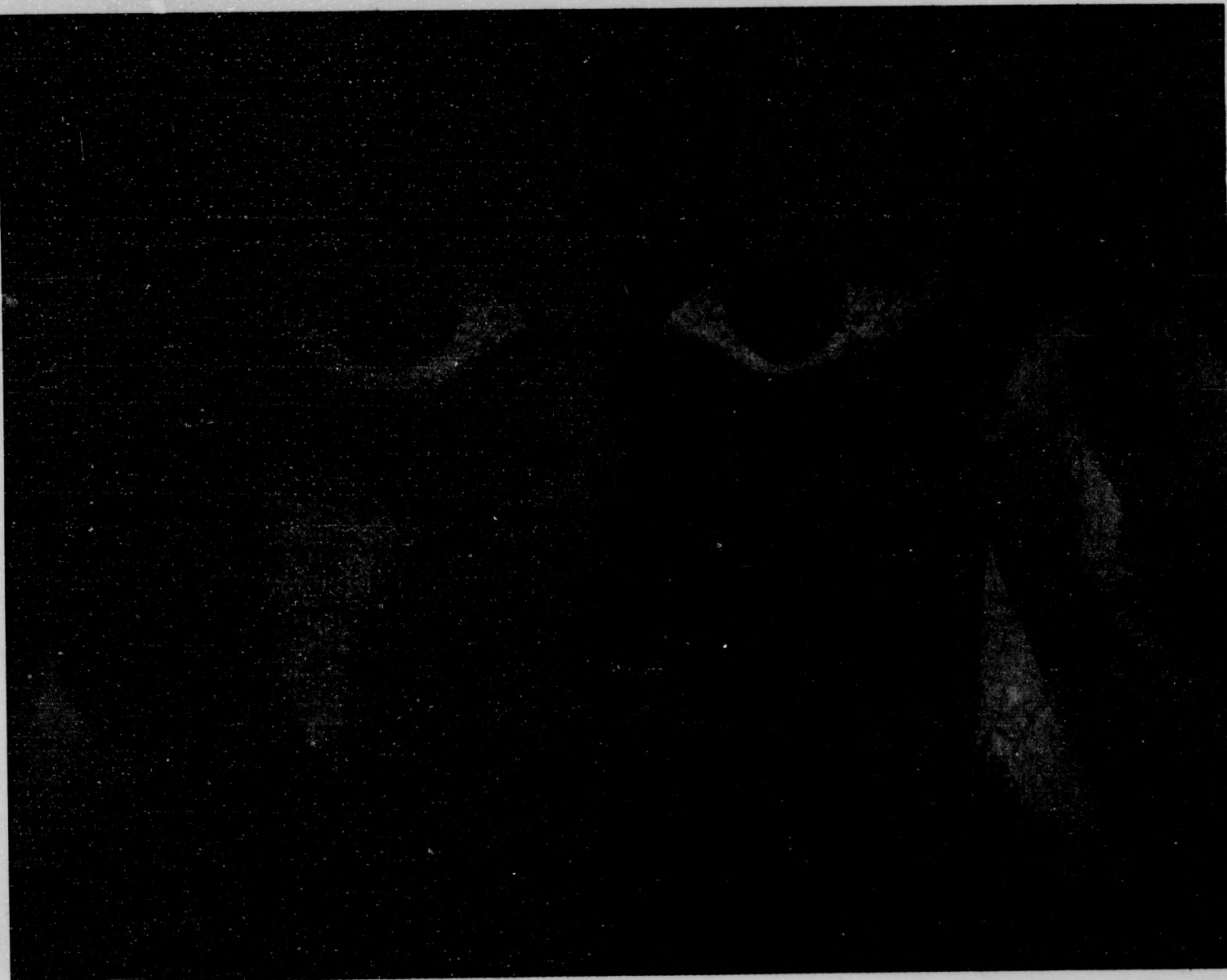
"It is very scary walking alone through the parking lot at night. I had to do it one semester and I was frightened," said Richardson.

Even though security has provided new platforms in the parking lot and hired four more security officers last semester, one fourth of the women polled said they would feel safer if the parking lots were better lit.

J.R. Johnson, RSC's director of district safety, said improvements of safety conditions have been implemented and more are planned.

In the mean time, some students have

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Carlos Echegoyan/el Don photo

OFF THE WALL

Taggers can display their artwork along The Wall, part of the only legalized graffiti program in Southern California. A \$30 annual permit allows access to the set of 8-foot-high walls along the Pacific Coast Highway in Huntington Beach.

In the middle of the worst educational budget crisis in the state's history, RSC must spend \$21,000 a year on the reclaiming of campus walls from local taggers, Bob Brown, the director of maintenance and operations, said.

The money spent removing campus graffiti could be better used to benefit students, especially in times of budget problems, said Dean Strenger, the vice chancellor of the Orange campus.

"That \$21,000 could be used for classes taught by part time people (which are) equivalent to one additional full time teacher," said Strenger.

At four to five classes per semester,

By Gabe Serrato

The PRICE of TAGGING

"that's a lot of students being affected," Strenger said.

Tagging is not isolated to one campus; both the Santa Ana and the Orange campuses are affected, although in different ways.

At the Orange campus, taggers etch their names on glass and mirrors in the bathrooms with X-ACTO knives, said Roger Clarke, a security officer at the Orange campus.

Strenger said that replacement and repair of glass and mirrors will total over \$1,200.

Orange campus faculty members are working to find a solution.

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College Wire

Air Force Cadet Sexually Assaulted

AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. (CPS)-A female cadet was sexually assaulted at the Air Force Academy by three to five men, officials said.

The cadet is still on campus, but spokesman Will Ketterson wouldn't say whether she was hospitalized or was back in class after the Feb. 14 attack. The cadet, a freshman, was assaulted around 10:30 p.m. in an area where cadets live.

The woman could not identify her assailants and didn't know if they were fellow students or civilians, Ketterson said. Air Force Academy Superintendent Lt. Gen. Bradley Hosmer met separately with female and male cadets to discuss the incident.

The sprawling campus, in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains, is open to the public during the day, but at night everyone driving onto the campus is stopped at the school's two gates for identification, Ketterson said.

If the suspects are civilians, they will be charged by the El Paso County Sheriff's Department, and if they are cadets, could face a general court-martial, Ketterson said.

The academy has 4,312 cadets, 503 of whom are women.

Harvard Students Enjoy Gourmet Fare

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (CPS)-Harvard University students can enjoy gourmet meals from fine restaurant this spring - without ever leaving the campus.

Under Dining Services' new "visiting chefs" program, executive chefs from about six Boston-area restaurants will plan and oversee one dinner in a designated dining hall, The Harvard Gazette reported.

The series of dinners will begin March 23, and students must make reservations for each meal.

Michael Berry, director of Dining Services, cooked up visiting chefs program after reading an April Fools' issue of the Harvard Crimson shortly after he arrived on campus two years ago.

The spoof issue announced that Berry had hired a celebrated Los Angeles restaurateur to plan dining hall meals.

"I walked into my office (the day the paper came out), and people on my staff were all upset," Berry said. "But I thought, 'That is a clever idea.'"

Bulletin Board Attracts Students

CHICAGO (CPS)-Any student with a computer, modem and a telephone can scroll through 1,000 used textbook titles for sale throughout the country through a Chicago-based computer network.

According to an article in Campus Marketplace, a newsletter for the National Association of College Stores, the Used Books electronic bulletin board has attracted at least 500 college students who have browsed, advertised, or bought books through the national network.

When a buyer finds a book, he or she pays a \$10 fee for the name of the seller, then contacts the seller to negotiate the price. Searches can be done by title, author, subject, and in some cases, the college where the course is offered.

Get Good Grades, Get Cheap Rent

TUCSON, Ariz. (CPS)-The owner of an apartment complex near the University of Arizona has agreed to give full-time students a break on their rent if they make good grades.

Roger Oster devised a sliding scale based on the previous semester's grade point average. The reduction ranges from 20 percent to 10 percent. He was reluctant to give specifics, citing "competition" from other apartment complex owners.

The rent reductions are great for the students, but what's in it for Oster?

"It reduces noise and damage, and I get a better class of clientele," he said. "I have serious students who want to go to school, and when they get some time off, want to relax and not party."

The 76-unit Country Gardens complex is within walking distance of the university, and Oster estimates that 65 percent of the people who rent the apartments are either graduate or undergraduate students. He said there is a waiting list for students to move in.

Before he offered the deal, things were different at Country Gardens. "There were wild parties going on, and people whose apartments were near the pool complained about noise," he said. "I didn't like the job of playing policeman."

Students Endorse Gay Rights

AMES, Iowa (CPS)-Iowa State University's students Senate recently passed a resolution recommending that partners of the same sex be allowed to live in married student housing.

But it wasn't until after five hours of intense debate. "It started out very logical and rational, then it became emotional. There was a lot of fear. Some people just do not believe in recognizing gay or bisexual people," said Eric Hamilton, president of the Government of the Student Body.

The resolution also encourages the administration to allow domestic partners of gays and lesbians access to university services, facilities and insurance benefits available free or at reduced rates to spouses of heterosexual students and faculty members.

Fair treatment of same-sex domestic partners has been a hot issue on the campus since last fall when a homosexual student requested to live in married student housing with his partner, was denied, and appealed to President Martin Jischke. Jischke was expected to make a decision on the issue after spring break.

Made of Clay...



Cindy Licerio/el Don Photo

The Ceramic Ensemble's Norma Tanega (left) on synthesizer and Brian Ransom on flute create unique sounds of music on instruments made of clay at the opening of Spirits of Perception exhibit at the RSC art gallery Friday.

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SAFETY: STORE: private management considered

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taken their own security precautions.

"I have a can of mace, so I walk with it to my car," said Lisa McBee.

Other students who said they felt safe taking night classes attended with friends or family.

Cindy Jimenez said she was not afraid of taking night classes because, "I usually walk with a friend or I'm just careful where I walk or where I park."

"I come with my husband so I've never had any problem," said part time student Roberta Harvey.

Students who want someone to walk with them to their car after night classes can take advantage of the escort service offered by campus security, Johnson said.

The campus escort service is available from 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Call 564-6330 or contact a safety officer on campus. The service may be reserved in advance for the entire term by calling the same number.

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tractive and full service for students."

"We are very pleased with our bookstore operations," Garcia continued. "It's just that every once in a while, we make an assessment to see if we can improve it."

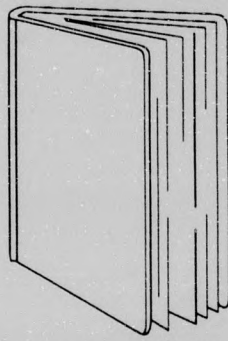
Wilson said that there are only two reasons why a business would want to lease out to other companies: the business is losing money or it needs cash fast.

In this case, the administration needs to look carefully at all ways to increase revenue in order to maintain the services the college provides to the community, according to Garcia.

Although no proposals have been made yet, Rhonda Langston, supervisor of auxiliary services, said that the college is looking into privatizing objectively.

"Our primary function is to serve the students and faculty in a personalized manner," she said.

Since profits from the bookstore



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RSC Bookstore Manager
Sharon Wilson

are used in part to fund various school programs and activities, any changes in the store's status will be discussed with the Associated Student Body before any decisions are made.

During the '91-'92 school year, about \$210,000 was divided between several departments. Physical Education/Athletics received \$95,000, college activities received \$48,000 and ASB received \$22,000. About \$45,000 was distributed through the college's general fund.

"The bookstore is a service for students," Garcia said. "I will not

do anything without the blessing of the ASB. It's their bookstore, not mine."

Bookstore manager Wilson expressed concern about being excluded in the decision-making process.

According to Wilson, so far the administrators who are involved in researching the possibilities of privatization have not discussed any part of the matter with the bookstore staff.

"I feel like we're just really being left in the dark," she said. "We haven't been pulled into the loop to offer our expertise."

TAGGING: City will pay \$1.5 million to clean up graffiti

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"They are trying to come up with something to get students involved," said Clarke. "They are the best source of information because it is a student who is doing it."

At the Santa Ana campus, most of the graffiti occurs over the weekend on outer perimeter walls, according to maintenance painter Ray Normindin.

"I spend eight to ten hours a week, sometimes more, on cleaning graffiti," Normindin said.

Normindin and other staff members clean up the graffiti Monday mornings; their time adds up to about 1,200 hours a year, Brown said.

"Sometimes people don't understand the magnitude of graffiti (on campus) because we (remove it) right after it's up," said J.R. Johnson, director of campus security.

Even though tagging clean-up wastes college money, RSC student Barbara Gzik defended it.

"Graffiti is a means of self expression. It's a shame it defaces public property," Gzik said.

However, Roger Lava, also an RSC student, disagreed. "I don't believe it (tagging) is a form of expression. Taggers only make the city...look bad."

By Gabe Serrato
el Don Staff Writer

SANTA ANA - The battle against graffiti will drain almost \$1.5 million from the city of Santa Ana this year, according to Rick Reese, supervisor of the city gang unit.

With a 100 percent increase in tagging over the past two years, Reese blamed the media for the recent publicity it has given to the vandalism.

"After KTTV ran their series on taggers, we noticed an increase (in graffiti)," Reese said. "These guys

imitate whatever they see."

One RSC student agreed that television may promote tagging.

"I think if (the media) would stop sensationalizing tagging, there would not be as big a problem," said Martin Gomez. "Kids are so impressionable."

Because cleaning up graffiti has become such an expensive problem, the city is looking into ways to limit access to the taggers chosen tool, cans of spray paint.

Merchants who sell spray paint will be required to lock it behind their counters, said Reese. "Spray

paint won't be as readily accessible as it is right now."

Reese also said that city officials want to hold parents of taggers financially liable for their child's actions.

Juvenile hall and state prison are in the future of youth and adult graffiti vandals, while stricter probations with community service in graffiti clean-up are also planned.

Felony charges can be filed against those whose graffiti causes damage in excess of \$1,000, Reese said.

Students climb mountain for AIDS research

By Larry Murrieta
el Don Staff Writer

Although most college students have been bombarded with vast amounts of information concerning AIDS and HIV infection, there has been a 62 percent increase of AIDS cases among young adults (ages 13-24) within the last two years, according to The Congressional Select Committee on Children, Youth, and Families.

To underscore the need for in-

creased AIDS awareness, the American Foundation for AIDS Research is sponsoring "Climb For A Cure." Nine Princeton University students will climb Mt. McKinley in June to raise money and awareness for AIDS.

Dr. Arthur Ammann, director of AmFAR, said that the climb will focus on AIDS education, also a goal of National Student AIDS Awareness Week, April 12-18. Both have been created to focus the attention of college leaders on the continuing need for education and

prevention [of HIV and AIDS] among today's adolescents and young adults, Ammann said.

RSC's Gay and Lesbian Associated Student Support group, in an effort to increase AIDS awareness and education, is sponsoring a display of the AIDS Quilt on March 24, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in room U-201A.

To become involved with National Student AIDS awareness Week, contact Dr. Joseph Green at 1-800-392-6327.

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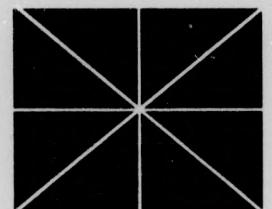
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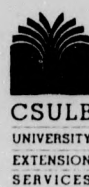
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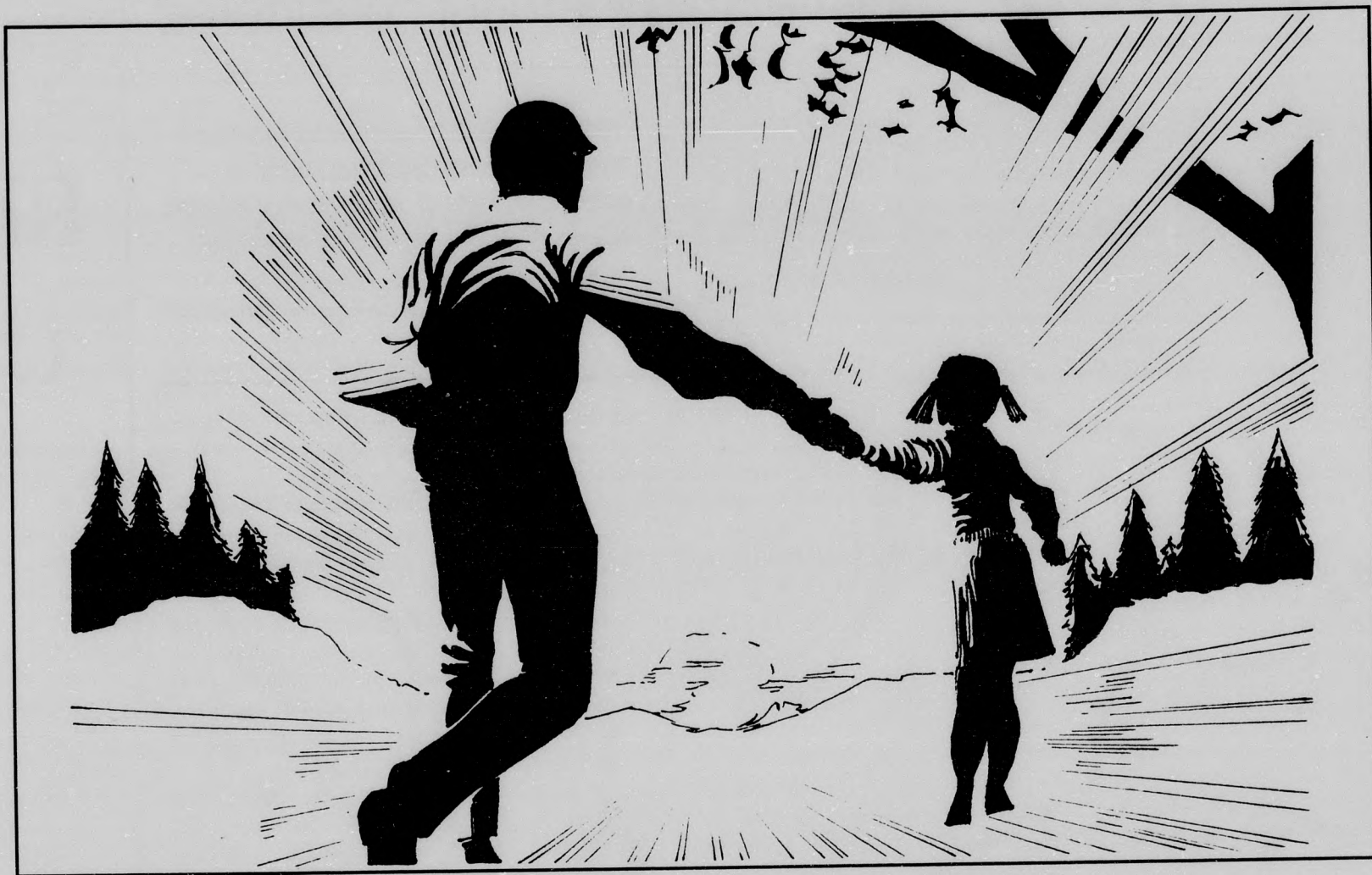
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Into The Light

After years of struggling to survive the streets of L.A., Tom Guardling found the one thing that makes his life worth living, his daughter.

By Larry Murrieta

Part II of a II part series: Tom Guardling is a 28-year-old engineering major at RSC. After an abusive childhood and life as an 11-year-old runaway on the streets of L.A., Tom found hope through his first honest job and relationship with Monica. But when Monica's pregnancy turns life-threatening, he is once again put to the test.

"I actually pleaded with Monica to get an abortion, but she would never hear of such a thing," said Tom. "She was so sure that God would see her through this. I had my doubts about God so I just put all my faith in Monica."

Seven months later, Tom found himself praying for Monica and their baby.

"Monica was bleeding so badly and I just kind of freaked. The doctors grew more and more concerned that neither one would make it through the labor and when the doctors told Monica [about the situation], she chose to have the baby...at any cost, she told them."

After three hours of labor, Monica died. The doctors took the baby in an emergency C-section and fifteen minutes later Tom became the father of an eight-pound baby girl.

"Losing the one person who loved me unconditionally was the hardest thing I ever had to go through. Focusing on Vanessa Marie [the baby] helped me get through the funeral and the pain."

Vanessa is the spitting image of her mother's photograph. At eight years old, she already boasts of having two boyfriends but if her Daddy has anything to say about it, Vanessa won't be seriously dating for a few years yet.

"Just my luck she'd meet a guy just like her old man was. I've turned into one of those fathers who panics over every little sneeze," Tom said. But to little Vanessa, her father is a "hero."

"I love my Daddy. He has to work a lot but he still tucks me in at night when he gets home.... We get to spend the weekends together, though. He takes me to the

zoo and sometimes we get to hang out at the library or the dance theater.... He's never missed me dance at recitals. Not once. Daddy says that I dance just like Mommy did."

"I don't know how Tom does it," said Carl Manning, an upstairs neighbor to Tom and Vanessa. "I've never seen Vanessa want for anything. He's a great father."

Tom has a hard time accepting the praise of his friends and co-workers.

"I think it is impossible to view me as being someone special," said Tom. "I have done a few wild things in my time and although I can't afford to regret to decisions I made, I would like to have the chance to do it all over again...."

"I see myself as a father who wants nothing less than everything for his child. Monica's family doesn't acknowledge Vanessa but I still send them a picture at Christmas time. I send my Dad a picture, too, but there is only so much he can do from a jail cell...."

Tom's voice sounded sorrowful, "I guess I screwed up a lot for Vanessa by just being who I am and by having done the things I did...I'm determined to give Vanessa all the opportunities that her mother had when she grew up. That means ballet lessons, piano lessons, even sports. If Vanessa wants it, I'll make sure she'll get it."

Tom said that he knows that the key to opening doors for Vanessa is through his education.

"I ran away at an age when I should have been in school and today I wish I had stayed because the streets were no place to learn about life," Tom said.

Tom went back to school last year and earned his high school diploma through adult education classes. His next step was to enroll at RSC.

"I feel so old in my classes. I look around and all I see are teenagers...I'm afraid that if I fall behind they will eat me alive."

But for all his reservations, Tom said he's not about to give up. "Intimidation is no stranger to me. I've learned to

ignore it and press on."

Even Tom's fellow students admire Tom's perseverance.

"I have never seen another man so dedicated to his future as Tom is to his," said Alexandra Harrington, one of Tom's classmates.

"I wish I had a driving force like the one he has. Maybe it would help to improve my grades."

"Tom has some definite talent in his chosen area of interest," said Peggy Lambert, part-time teacher and Tom's algebra tutor. "He has the drive and he already has the knowledge of what the end result should look like after he's through...I can't help but think of him as anything less than a miracle man."

Tom's unusual background has given him a different perspective of school.

"I'm sure it's because of where I came from but I don't understand a lot of the students' way of thinking. They bitch and moan about how hard the algebra test was or how hard it is being a full time student and I just have to laugh. These kids ain't seen hard yet. Raising a daughter in 1993 is hard. Algebra is nothing."

The challenges of fatherhood weigh heavily on Tom. When asked if he planned on telling Vanessa about his past he had to think awhile.

"That's a tough one.... I want to say yes but I honestly don't know. I'm worried about losing her respect...I know it would be better coming from me than from someone else but I can't say for sure. There's a lot at stake for me here."

Tom had some advice for students who feel as though they're up against the impossible:

"I don't know if I have the right to give advice but I'd say find the one thing you really love and believe in and hold on until your knuckles are bloody from the fight and then hang on some more. Everyone has to go through some kind of personal hell but if you give up then you might as roll over and die."

Staff Editorials

Another high-dollar administrator...now?

The Board of Trustees recently approved the hiring of a new vice chancellor. This new administrative position will pay around \$100,00 in salary and benefits.

While classes, athletics and staff members are being cut, is now the right time to hire another administrator?

RSC chancellor Vivian Blevins said "We (the Board of Trustees) made a promise to the community to pursue the best possible avenue of education for our students. We also promised that we would hire a new vice chancellor that could relate to a diverse ethnic background."

Well, that's nice. A promise to hire a vice chancellor who could relate to a "diverse ethnic background." What exactly does that mean? Does it mean that whites need not apply? Or Asians? Was this a promise to an individual ethnic group to gain political backing?

Promise or no, the students of this college should come first, not a promise to the "community." As Hilary Johnson, an RSC student said, "We (the students) are the community. Why aren't we being listened to when we have some definite questions about this decision (to spend more money)?"

The Board of Trustees should continue put off the hiring of this new vice chancellor. Use the money to keep classes from being cut, or hire more security. Don't sacrifice RSC students

Orange County's new team, the Mighty Ducks

After all the years of false claims that the California Angels and the L.A. Rams are our own, Anaheim has finally gotten a team together to officially represent Orange County.

Congratulations are in order. But what is this? The name of the team that will bear the honor of representing us will be... the Mighty Ducks?

The Disney Corporation had originally planned to hold a write-in contest that would determine the name of the inhabitants of the Anaheim Arena, but after looking over proposed names for the franchise such as the Express, they decided to name the team after their recent box-office venture by the same name.

Thus far, the Mighty Ducks are the only professional team that calls the Arena, or "The Pond" as Disney has unofficially named it, home. Who else plays in a pond?

Disney's insistence on naming the team after their movie shows us how important the quick buck means to this corporation. And like the duck's predecessor, "The Bad News Bears," sequels starring the newest Disney team will fill movie houses with children from around the country. But it will be the real hockey fans crying "fowl" and quacking for a name change.

Oh well, it's better than giving the Ogden Company, the business that financed the Arena, the \$2 million that we as taxpayers would have had to pay them if the city could not find a professional sports franchise for this season.



When governments grow oppressive

By Jason Reed
Editor of the Editorial page

"Hello, mama, it's your boy. They shot me and I'm dying, all right? But I'll be back real soon OK? I'll see y'all in the skies, bye."

These words were spoken by David Koresh, the leader of the Branch Davidians, to his mother during a phone conversation between them nearly three weeks ago.

Koresh and his followers were thrust into national attention when over 100 agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms attacked their 77-acre compound near Waco, Texas. This resulted in a shootout and the waiting game that is currently under way.

ATF agents had reportedly planned the raid months in advance, and had practiced it repeatedly. They came armed with warrants allowing them to search the compound for firearms and explosives, and one for the arrest of Koresh on weapons charges.

When the ATF came in, guns-a-blazin', the religious separatist's counterfire spoke louder than words to let the agents know that they were not going to be pushed around.

ATF officials "came right in, parked right by the front door, and made a frontal assault on the building," said John McLemore, a local television reporter and witness to the shootout.

Agents reportedly jumped out of livestock trailers, started throwing concussion grenades and yelled "come out" to the occupants of the enclave. Brilliant tactical maneu-

"When government gets so out of control that they attack a religious compound (no matter how unconventional) we all need to take a closer look at how we are being governed."

vers. The ATF knew that weapons had been stockpiled in the compound. Didn't they expect retaliation? It seems foolish to attack a fortress with towers, night-vision capabilities and guards patrolling around the clock.

It appears to me that the Branch Davidians had committed no crimes other than perhaps the illegal possession of certain firearms that the government doesn't allow civilians to own, and no one even knows that much for sure. Would this "crime" give the ATF, FBI or even the army any reason to attack these otherwise peaceful separatists? This is why the government tries to outlaw weapons. They don't like it when they're not in complete control of the civilian population. They especially don't like those who separate themselves from the "normal" population.

Should the blame rest squarely on the shoulders of the Branch Davidians for the shootout and ensuing deaths of four federal agents? I don't think so. The Branch

Davidians were on their privately owned land, minding their own business when the ATF came in ever so gung-ho and attacked them.

There have been complaints by various groups wondering how Koresh came to know about the raid beforehand. Surprise! The ATF recently announced that it had tipped off the Dallas media the day before. This comes as no big revelation, since when government agencies think that people are going to be pleased with their actions, they want everyone to know. This ploy obviously backfired. The families of the dead ATF agents and "cult" members can attest to that. Regardless of how loony Koresh and his followers may be, the ATF's violent assault was undue.

It's a tragedy that people were killed while trying to do their job. But the Branch Davidians also suffered deaths among their members, and they may have died for an even more respectable cause, freedom of religion. When government gets so far out of control that they attack a religious compound (no matter how unconventional) we all need to take a closer look at how we are being governed.

The Branch Davidians went over the edge of "acceptable" civil disobedience, but when government's actions lean towards tyranny, someone needs to stand tall against them. As Thomas Jefferson said over 200 years ago "The tree of liberty must be refreshed from time to time with the blood of patriots and tyrants. It is its natural nature."

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PHOTO POLL

El Don asked students what their opinion was concerning the events taking place in Waco, Texas. These are some of the answers.



Michael Dedmon:

"He (Koresh) needs to respect the law and authority like everyone else. He needs to surrender right now."



Linda Kondris:

"They (ATF) didn't start it out right, they showed force at an inappropriate time."



Paul Callison:

"The Federal government needed to show them they were serious. Unfortunately, people got killed."

Style

THE ART OF ENTERTAINMENT

MARCH 19, 1993

Top 10 for the week ending March 13, according to the OC Register

PRIME TIME

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1. HOME IMPROVEMENT
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2. 60 MINUTES
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3. MEN DON'T TELL
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4. COACH
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4. ROSEANNE
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6. PRIME TIME LIVE
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7. RESCUE 911
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8. MURDER SHE WROTE
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9. SEINFELD
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10. CHEERS
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1. FIRE IN THE SKY
Paramount
2. CB4
Universal
3. FALLING DOWN
Warner Bros.
4. GROUNDHOG DAY
Columbia
5. A FAR OFF PLACE
Walt Disney
6. THE CRYING GAME
Miramax
7. HOMEWARD BOUND
Walt Disney
8. MAD DOG & GLORY
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9. ALADDIN
Walt Disney
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Ceramics collection displays universal talent

RSC's Art Gallery features artwork from ethnically diverse cultures

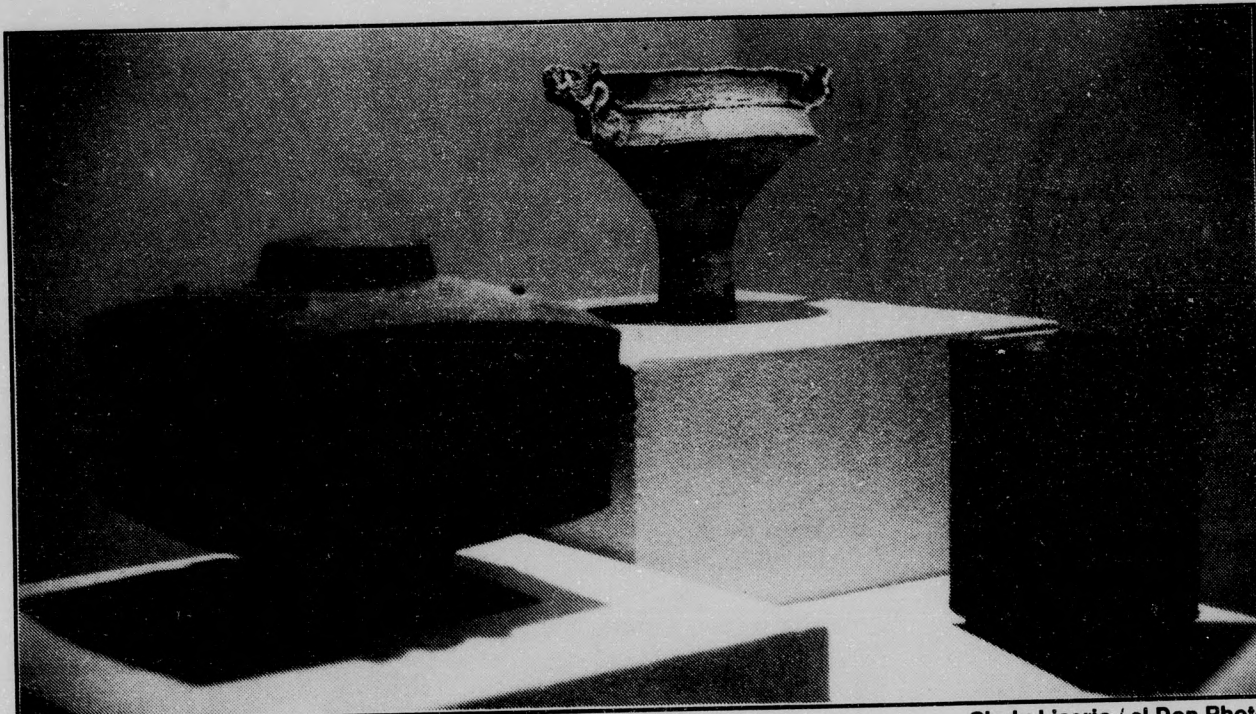
By Bernal A. Fernandez
el Don Staff Writer

As part of the Spring program of cultural events, the Fine and Performing Arts department at RSC is presenting "Spirits of Perception", a ceramic exposition which opened last Friday evening.

The event features an exhibit of ceramic works from the collection of Igal and Diane Silber. Also present during opening night were the mellow sounds of the group "The Ceramic Ensemble", a different concept in music, a unique arrangement of notes well received by the audience.

On exhibit are works from international artists, but works from domestic artists prevail. Other countries represented in the exhibition are England, Germany, Belgium, New Zealand and Israel.

The works are a pleasant experience to appreciate. They encompass the talent of artists from different backgrounds, which thus creates an interesting mix of cul-



Cindy Licerio / el Don Photo

Sculptures by Ted Randall (left), Carl Olsen (center), both from America, and Colin Pierson (right), from England, are some of the many international artworks exhibited at the RSC Art Gallery.

tural identities.

It is somewhat difficult to make reference to the works because they are nameless, or at least that is the way they are presented. The name of the artist and the country of origin is the only information introducing the art to the viewer - an interesting departure from the conventional 'read the title, then interpret' role some of us are used to playing at exhibitions.

Nevertheless, to see some of

these great works without a name keeps the viewer guessing and trying to get into the mind of the artist.

One particular sculpture, by Mike Moran (U.S.A.), is a perfect example of the quality of work at hand. This piece, in appearance, the inert torso of a man not very involved in any kind of action, but the touches of art that form him are always moving. Figures of faces and abstract shapes, elegantly diluted into earth-tones coupled with

a solemn look on his face makes the whole creation a sinister, obscure piece of art.

Another piece that stands out is one by Varda Yatom (Israel); It shows a brilliant use of color on a figure that is hypnotized by the form of a wall, an obstacle that seems to slowly open itself by the intensity of the stare of the looker.

The works being exhibited are of high caliber and are well worth a visit to the Fine Arts building.

The highlight of the opening reception was the presence of Brian Ransom's, *The Ceramic Ensemble*. What makes this group so special is the nature of the instruments they use. They are made of clay, art created with the sole purpose of producing music: heavenly sounds that heal the mind and relax the listener.

The instruments are so original, they convey a harmony of peaceful messages easy to interpret and a pleasure to digest.

The group delighted the audience with pieces from their album "Sounding Clay". Different backgrounds influence the music of this successful group. It can be mellow but, at times, the speed accelerates to more upbeat rhythms as in the song "Salsafied".

The exhibition is open through April 1. Daytime hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Fridays 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday evenings 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The Fine and Performing Arts Department has many other events scheduled for Spring, with the nearest up and coming being the theater department's production of "Jesus Christ Superstar," from April 2-11.

For more information call the Division of Fine and Performing Arts at 564-5600.

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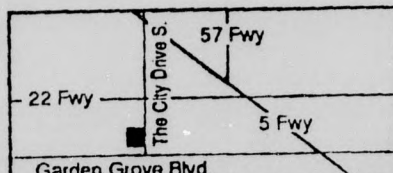
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Sports

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SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

Sat. March 13		Next Game:
Orange Coast	3	Sat. March 20
RSC	6	at Cypress
		Noon

SOFTBALL

Wed. March 10		Next Game:
Cypress	2	Today
RSC	1	at OCC
		3 p.m.

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Wed. March 10		Next Match:
Santa Monica	15 15 11 15	Today
RSC	3 12 15 5	at Home
		7 p.m.

MEN'S SWIMMING

Wed. March 10		Next Meet:
Cypress	75	March 19-20
RSC	147	at Cuesta
		All Day

SPORTS WIRE

McGee leaves USC for Oklahoma

University of Southern California freshman linebacker Jon McGee, who was struck by a stray bullet on Sept. 28 while on campus during football practice, has transferred to Oklahoma University.

McGee did not return for the start of the spring semester on Jan. 11 from his home in Tucson said Tim Tesselone, USC's sports-information director. New Trojans head football coach John Robinson said McGee informed him he was transferring and did not attempt to talk McGee into staying.

"After the (shooting) experience, I think he probably just became insecure about the whole thing and thought the best thing for him to do was move on," Robinson said last week at a Disneyland Pigskin Classic news conference in Anaheim.

Robinson also said he was not certain whether it was the shooting or the fact that Larry Smith was fired as head coach that most influenced McGee's decision. McGee could not be reached for comment at his Tucson home.

McGee, a 6-3, 225-pounder, did not play in a game before or after the shooting.

Blue Devils have two awards finalists

Duke University guard Bobby Hurley and forward Grant Hill are among the 16 finalists up for the John R. Wooden award.

The Wooden Award winner is chosen by a national panel of writers and broadcasters and will be presented April 7 at the sponsoring Los Angeles Athletic Club.

Other finalists up for the coveted award include Chris Mills of Arizona, Terry Dehere of Seton Hall, Calbert Cheaney of Indiana, Jamal Mashburn of Kentucky and Chris Webber of Michigan.

Rose says drug raid was bad timing

University of Michigan basketball player Jalen Rose was just at the wrong place at the wrong time and that he was doing nothing wrong when he was ticketed for loitering during a drug raid on Oct. 4, 1992 in Detroit, said Rose and university officials.

"I was just in that house," Rose said at a news conference. "I was there to help a friend."

Rose, 20, a sophomore point guard for the third-ranked Wolverines, was given a loitering ticket during the raid at the house, where cocaine and marijuana trafficking was suspected. There was no indication that Rose was either selling or using drugs.

Four other people were also arrested or ticketed during the raid and their criminal cases are pending.

Compiled by Mark Peinado



Pick Off

OCC's Paul McDaniel (24) dives safely back to first as RSC's Chris Lugo awaits throw from pitcher. Dons won 6-3.

Joe Pham / el Don Photo

Dons hold on for 6-3 win over Bucs

■ Four-run seventh inning proves decisive for RSC; Filbeck notches fourth victory

By Ev Phillips
el Don Staff Writer

SANTA ANA - RSC moved into a first-place tie with Orange Coast in Orange Empire Conference baseball action Saturday, holding off a late OCC rally for a 6-

3 victory over the Pirates at the RSC diamond.

The win improved the Dons' record to 14-3 overall and 4-2 in conference. OCC fell to 10-7 and 4-2.

Unlike last Saturday's error-filled game against Fullerton which the Dons lost 15-8, this one featured a pitching duel between RSC's Ryan Filbeck and OCC's Kyle Wilson.

The Dons drew first blood in the second inning when designated hitter Steve Thobe walked, went to second on a ground out

and scored on Brent Howes' single to left.

RSC added an unearned run in the fifth on a pair of OCC errors for a 2-0 advantage.

Filbeck blanked the Pirates for five innings before leaving in the sixth with a pulled muscle in his forearm. Thobe came on in relief and held the Pirates scoreless until the eighth.

The Dons scored what proved to be the winning runs in the seventh inning. With one out, Wilson hit Truel with a pitch, then

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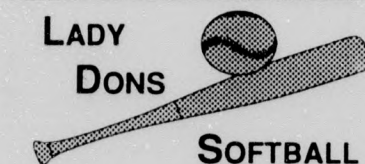
Late Cypress charge is too much for Lady Dons

Patrick Delaney
el Don Staff Writer

SANTA ANA CAMPUS - The Lady Dons softball team (3-1) lost Wednesday, 2-1, falling one game back of Cypress (4-0) in the Orange Empire Conference.

In the first inning of play the Chargers loaded the bases and had their power hitter coming up. However, the Dons threw Cypress a curve ball.

With two outs, catcher Terri Henning faked a pick off to first base, backed up by second baseman Rachel Gomez, who came over and dove for an imaginary ball. Teammate Traci Ellery, chased after the ball in right field. The play was concluded when Robin Northcraft, center field, moved to



assist the right fielder. Then the team including the coaches began yelling "get the ball, get the ball," said head coach Kim Nutter.

"The confused runner at third ran home only to find the catcher standing there with the ball, thus retiring the inning," said Nutter.

The Chargers scored in the third inning to lead the Lady Dons 1-0. Rancho, tied the score in the fourth inning. However, that was all the ladies would score.

The game ended with the Chargers scoring the winning run in the sixth inning.



BATTER UP

RSC's Amy Lewis whacks a double to left, beginning a third inning rally, however, the Lady Dons lost 2-1 to Cypress.

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MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

RSC wins game, loses match

By Roger Denman
el Don Staff Writer

SANTA ANA - The Dons played their best match of the season against Santa Monica College March 10, but fell to the stronger Corsairs 15-3, 15-12, 11-15, 15-5.

Rancho was blitzed in the first game by the hard hitting visitors.

In the second game, RSC pulled together and managed to keep the score close, but the Corsairs held off a late surge by the Dons for the win.

Rancho overcame an 8-4 deficit in the third game by combining good serving with strong hitting at the net to win 15-11.

Santa Monica slowed down the pace in the final game and punished the Dons by reeling off 10 straight points.

Ina Sitagata led the Dons in scoring for the fifth time this season. He had 28 kills and three service aces.

The Dons play at home tonight against El Camino College. Game time is 7 p.m.

BASEBALL: Dons tied for first in OEC

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walked Jason Minici. Ralph Lopez relieved Wilson and promptly walked Derek Brown and catcher Darren Troilo to force in the third RSC run.

Carlos Cevallos replaced Lopez, but Ryan Andersen greeted him with a double to right center, scoring Minici and Brown and sending Troilo to third. Thobe then drove in Troilo with a sacrifice fly for a 6-0 lead.

The Pirates came back with three in the eighth on a walk and three hits after two were out to make it 6-3. But Thobe struck out pinch hitter Richard Ernst to end the inning.

OCC threatened again in the ninth.

Ethan Wychoff, pitching in relief of Thobe, hit T.J. Graber and then walked Randy Karliner, bring-

ing the tying run to the plate with none out. Jason Dietrich relieved Wychoff and retired the Pirates in order to save it for Filbeck (4-1).

The win was Rancho's third of the week.

On March 8 the Dons travelled to Palomar and trounced the Comets 10-4 in a non-conference game. Minici was 4 for 6 with an RBI, while Andersen was 3 for 4 with three RBIs.

On March 11, the Dons came away from Saddleback with a key 7-6 victory over the Gauchos in 10 innings. Minici scored the winning run on a wild pitch in the top of the tenth as Dietrich (3-1) picked up the win in relief.

The Dons play at third-place Cypress Saturday at noon. The Chargers are 3-3 in conference.



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LIKE A FISH IN WATER

RSC's Jeremy Yorba helped Don swimmers to win meet with a time of 2:26.4 in the 200yd. IM.

RSC swimmers shock Chargers

By Mark A. Peinado
el Don Staff Writer

SANTA ANA CAMPUS - The RSC swim team opened conference play with three straight wins, including Wednesday's 147-75 victory over Cypress College.

RSC opened the meet with Johnny Thonn, Majid Ahmadi, Scott DeBoer and Josh Routon finishing first in the 400 yard medley relay with a time of 4:04.2. Eric Owens,

Andy Fink, Nick Welche and Jim Smith finished second in 4:14.8.

In the following two events, RSC placed first, second and third in both the 200yd. and 50yd. freestyle races. Peter Wilson finished first in the 200 (1:54.6) while Ahmadi finished second (1:59.5). DeBoer finished first in the 50 (22.0), Jason Leach finished second in the 50 (23.3) and Jeremy Stuart placed third in both events with times of 2:00.2 and 24.2 respectively.

RSC closed the meet with Joel Stewart, Welche, Thonn and DeBoer tying for first with Jeremy Yorba, Wilson, Jones and Routon in the 400yd. freestyle relay (3:33.1).

"We're performing really well right now and taking each meet as it comes," head coach Bob Gaughran Jr. said.

RSC's goal is to win the Orange Empire title. "It's going to be close to see who wins the conference," Gaughran said.

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